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COAL FAMINE IN NORTHWEST

Situation Desperate In Sections of Minnesota and North Dakota.

AUTHORITIES APPEALED TO

Shippers Unable to Obtain Cars and Commercial Clubs Urge Calling Out of Troops to Run Trains—Many Will Freeze If Fuel Is Not Available Soon.

Minneapolis, Dec. 15.—With the cold wave signal flying the coal shortage in the northwest becomes not only a cause of severe suffering, but an absolute menace to human life. Glenburn, N. D., is seriously considering an appeal to the governors of both Dakota and Minnesota to employ the state military in forcing the moving of coal trains. Eveleth, Minn., faces darkness and suffering through deprivation of coal, and apprehensive reports have come from other places.

The Glenburn (N. D.) situation is thus summed up in a statement from the Glenburn Commercial club: "The dealers wire us that the situation is entirely up to the railroads. Shippers are unable to obtain cars to load with coal. We wired Governor Sarles requesting him to take up the matter with Governor Johnson of Minnesota and, if necessary, call out the militia of the two state to run coal trains.

"The situation all through this section is desperate, and with the liability of blizzards any time many will freeze to death if fuel is not available soon. Farmers are already coming to town with stories of burning up sheds and other outhouses. We have notified the farmers that if the worst comes they can bring their families and bedding and camp in our new four-room brick schoolhouse. We have sufficient coal to heat the building for 30 days at least, and it will go further in this way than it would if distributed among those who are out, as it would not make a bushel each.

"We also wired our senators at Washington asking their interest with the federal government. We can not put our words strong enough to convey to you the importance of getting railroads to haul special trains of coal into the sections suffering. Lignite is unavailable, as the same handicap is met here."

Commission Acts.

Washington, Dec. 15. — In view of the complaints of car shortage, resulting it is said in failure to transport the necessaries of life, the interstate commerce commission sent a telegram to the presidents of a number of western and northwestern railroads urging them "to make every possible effort to meet at once the needs and relieve the suffering of those dependent upon the facilities of" the roads.

No Coal.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 15.—The University of Washington closed on account of the coal famine from which the city is suffering. It is not known when classes will be resumed.

MEXICO

Takes Control of All Important Lines in the Republic.

City of Mexico, Dec. 15. — The details of the railway merger, by which the Mexican government takes control of all of the important lines in the republic, are now known. By the terms of the contract the government secures absolute control of the Mexican Central, the National, the International, the Interoceanic and the Hidalgo & Northeastern, all of which will be merged into one great railroad system. The government also comes into control of the Texas-Mexican, a railroad at Laredo, Tex., which is owned by the National. The mileage of the system will, with extensions, which are rapidly nearing completion, aggregate approximately 10,000 miles. The Tehuantepec National and Vera Cruz & Pacific, two other railroads controlled by the government, will continue to be operated as independent companies.

Income Tax Commission.

New York, Dec. 15.—The industrial economic committee of the National Civic Federation decided to name two commissions for the especial study of corporations and the income tax. Edmund R. Seligman, professor of political economy at Columbia university, it was announced, will head the tax commission. The other members will include tax commissioners from each of the states that have such officers. No announcement was made as to the personnel of the corporations commission.

Crossing Tragedy.

Owensboro, Ky., Dec. 15.—A. L. Atherton, 63, a Confederate veteran, and his 14-year-old grandson, Estill Atherton, were killed on a grade crossing here by a Louisville, Henderson & St. Louis passenger train. The boy's head was cut off. The grandfather's body was thrown 20 feet into a pond. They were crossing the track in a road wagon when struck by the train.

REGULAR

Are Declarations Made by Laymen. Archbishop's Message.

Paris, Dec. 15.—Cardinal Richard has issued a communication which will facilitate a way out of the present church difficulty. This communication sets forth that declarations made by laymen relative to worship are not in disobedience to the instructions of the pope, provided their purpose is honestly to avoid disturbances, and admits that such declarations do not infringe upon the hierarchy, as the vatican has only forbidden clergymen to carry out the required legal formalities. This will permit of worship in accordance with the law, but in the meantime the church officially maintains its position of not submitting to the state.

Criticised Vatican's Policy.

Rome, Dec. 15.—Vatican officials declare that they have received many manifestations of sympathy from prominent Protestants. The names have not been given. The Giornale d'Italia says that Cardinal Lecot, archbishop of Bordeaux, is dissatisfied with the policy of the vatican and has strongly criticised what he terms the pope's "bad advisers." The cardinal is angry, the paper says, at the situation created by the inflexible intransigence of the pope. The words of Cardinal Lecot have been reported to the vatican, where an outbreak is feared, not against the pope, but against his entourage.

PEONAGE CASE.

Fines and Imprisonment For the Men Convicted of Conspiracy.

Pensacola, Fla., Dec. 15. — In the United States court Judge Swain passed sentence upon Manager W. S. Harlan and five employes of the Jackson Lumber company of Lockhart, Ala., convicted after a trial of nearly a month of conspiracy to commit peonage. Manager Harlan was sentenced to serve 18 months in the penitentiary and in addition pays a fine of $5,000. Superintendent Robert Gallagher to serve 15 months and pay a fine of $1,000, and Dr. W. E. Grace, Oscar Sander, S. E. Huggins and C. C. Hilton to serve 13 months in the penitentiary and pay fines of $1,000 each.

Girl Returned to Home.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Margaret Burkle, the 17-year-old girl who was abducted from this city and taken to Marinette, Wis., where she was arrested on complaint of her father and brought back to Chicago, was ordered by Judge Carpenter returned to the industrial home for girls. Contempt papers were ordered prepared against C. Stuart Beattie, a lawyer, on whose representations Judge Carpenter had been induced to take the girl from the industrial home. Miss Burkle is a witness in a case involving a recent raid on the Rensu hotel, where, it is alleged, she had been secretly maintained by A. L. Streeter, a millionaire of this city, who is under indictment in connection with the case. His whereabouts are unknown.

Awaiting Mexico's Reply.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The administration is awaiting patiently some reply to the representations made to the Mexican government regarding serious conditions in the Imperial and Colorado valleys in California, caused by the break in the banks of the Colorado river. Director Walcott of the government survey said that unless the break is repaired damage to property to an amount conservatively estimated at $13,000,000 ultimately will result. Lands susceptible to reclamation, the value of which is conservatively estimated at $70,000,000, also will be overflowed.

Accept Leopold's Offer.

Brussels, Dec. 15.—The chamber of deputies, by a vote of 127 against 30, approved the proposal that Belgium accept the terms of King Leopold's will bequeathing the Congo independent state to Belgium with the stipulation that the royal private domains there be maintained. This vote means that Belgium will proceed to annex the independent state after it has presented a full statement of its obligations. Existing concessions, including those granted to Americans, are not to be interfered with.

Genuine Whisky.

Lexington, Ky., Dec. 15. — Admissions made by the members of the United States commission on the purity of food here are to the effect that the commission will advise the secretary of agriculture that only genuine whisky may be called whisky, a mixture of two or more genuine whiskies only is entitled to be called a "blend," and if neutral cologne or other spirits is used in the production of any beverage, this must be distinctly stated on the label of the package.

Another For Beell.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Fred Beell, the champion catch-as-catch-can wrestler of America, met "Yankee" Rogers, the New England champion, here, and won the match in two straight falls. The easterner weighed 57 pounds more than Beell, but the champion had the big fellow on the defensive all the time. The first fall was won in 11 minues and 41 seconds with a hand lock and crotch hold. The second fall lasted 21 minutes and 30 seconds. Beell finally secured a reversed half-nelson which Rogers was unable to break.

LEGISLATION URGED BY TAFT

Needs of the Philippines Pointed Out in His Annual Report.

CONDITIONS ARE IMPROVING

Abolition of Hemp Rebate and Passage of Tariff Reduction Measure Suggested—Lack of Transportation Facilities a Serious Drawback. Doings of Congress.

Washington, Dec. 15.—By a vote of 106 to 188 the house of representatives refused to increase from $5,000 to $7,500 the salaries of senators, members and delegates. The house, however, by an overwhelming vote, increased the salaries of the vice president, the speaker of the house and members of the president's cabinet to $12,000 each. In anticipation of the question there was large attendance. The several amendments for increase were offered by Mr. Littauer of New York to the legislative appropriation bill. After disposing of the salary question the house passed the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, and adjourned.

Secretary Taft, in his annual report, says of the Philippines:

"It gratifies me to be able to say that conditions in the Philippines show steady improvement. The Philippine commission has used every effort to cut down the expenses of government, and has found this not inconsistent with rendering the government more efficient. In every part of the islands, except in the two provinces of Leyte and Samar, peace and tranquillity obtain. The capture or surrender of the leaders of ladrone bands in the island of Luzon has brought about a better condition than ever before existed in the islands.

"In Samar and Leyte there has been for a long time a bitter feud between the mountain peoples of those two islands, known as Pulahanes, and the people of the coast towns. In these islands the Pulahanes raise hemp and dispose of it to purchasers from the coast towns. They are at times subject to oppression and fraud by the local dealers in hemp and by the municipal officials who attempt to monopolize their sales at prices very much below the market. These and other causes create a constant feeling of suspicion and resentment on the part of the mountain people against constituted authority.

"If serious disturbances in Samar and Leyte were to continue, the question might arise whether the conditions of peace and tranquillity in the islands were such as to justify calling an election for a popular assembly.

Business Depression.

"The depressed condition of business in the islands seems to have continued, especially in respect to the raising and exportation of sugar and tobacco. The violent and unusual storm of cyclonic character which visited the islands in the latter part of 1905 destroyed about $4,000,000 in value of the crop of hemp. In the matter of exports, however, this loss was made up by an increase in the production and exportation of cocoanuts, so that on the whole the exports of the islands fell off only about half a million of dollars.

"No real prosperity can come to the islands and no substantial improvement be made in the welfare, education and uplifting of the people until the means of intercommunication between the islands and between the various towns in each island shall be greatly increased. The most important step that can be taken in this way is the construction of railroads, for they not only in themselves furnish most important intercommunication and transportation, but they also make possible, and indeed bring about the construction of wagon roads. Railways connecting the harbors with the coast and interior towns are much needed. The conditions in the Philippines with respect to railroads have been deplorable.

"Congress at its last session authorized a reduction in the fineness and the weight of silver to be used in the Philippine peso by the Philippine commission, in order to avoid the difficulty which was being experienced by reason of the rapid rise in the price of silver as measured in gold. In the same act power was given to the Philippine commission to issue certificates of deposit which could be redeemed either in gold dollars of the United States or Philippine pesos. This greatly relieved the monetary situation in the Philippines."

Mr. Taft recommends the Philippine tariff bill, which has already passed the house, and strongly urges the passage of an act authorizing the Philippine government to guarantee to a private agricultural bank a dividend of 4 per cent on $10,000,000. The abolition of the hemp rebate is also recommended.

Mrs. Dowie Gets Home.

Muskegon, Mich., Dec. 15.—Mrs. Jane Dowie formally signed away her dower interest and any claim she might have on any Zion City property, receiving in return a deed to the Dowie summer home on the shores of White lake, in northern Muskegon county. The transaction does not affect any property that John Alexander Dowie may possess outside Zion City.

Fire at Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Dec. 15.—Fire, started probably by an explosion in the basement of a store, spread rapidly to the upper floors of the building, to the Van Ness and New York lodging houses and a number of stores adjoining, and in 15 minutes had caused a loss of $50,000. In the two rooming houses women tenants risked their lives to save their possessions until they were taken out of the rooms by firemen. Others had to be dragged off the fire escapes, which they had climbed to save their goods.

Trial Run of Kansas.

Boston, Dec. 15.—Without being exerted to its utmost the new battleship Kansas slightly exceeded her contract speed of 18 knots an hour in her four hours' trial run, attaining an average speed of 18.096 knots for the four hours. The propellers averaged 121.318 revolutions per minute. While weather conditions were not ideal, they were favorable, as the wind was from a friendly quarter.

Bad Meat.

Philadelphia, Dec. 15.—The condemning of 160 head of sheep by city meat inspectors here is to be followed by an investigation by the federal authorities. The sheep, which were shipped from the west, were condemned on the ground that they were emaciated. The dressed carcasses weighed about 25 pounds each. The sheep bore the stamp of federal inspectors in the west.

Orders Courtmartial.

Washington, Dec. 15.—On the recommendation of the general staff the secretary of war ordered the trial by courtmartial of Major Charles W. Penrose and Captain Edgar A. Macklin of company C, First battalion, Twenty-fifth infantry, under the 62nd article of war for "conduct to the prejudice of good order and discipline" in failing in their duty in preventing and suppressing the riot at Brownsville, Tex., last August.

Police Stopped It.

Naples, Dec. 15.—The local Socialists and Republicans organized a procession here to proceed to the French consulate and present an address congratulating France upon the stand taken in the church matter. When the project became known the police forbade it.

Tunnel Under East River.

New York, Dec. 15.—The two sections of the tunnel under the East river, which were started simultaneously in New York and Brooklyn, have been joined. The engineers declare that the two tunnels joined perfectly.

CUT TO THE QUICK.

Bank at Morris, I. T., was robbed of $3,000. Cracksmen escaped.

At Sharon, Ga., 11 stores and the Masonic hall were destroyed by fire. Loss $50,000.

Robbers wrecked the safe of the Interstate bank at Drexel, Mo., and escaped with its contents, said to be close to $5,000 in currency.

Standard Oil company announced that it would advance the wages of all its employes now receiving less than $100 a month by 10 per cent, beginning Jan. 1.

New York Daily News company made an assignment for the benefit of of creditors to Thomas C. Quinn, president of the company. The paper suspended publication

A jury at New Orleans convicted George Mehojevich, a Turk, of criminal assault on two small girls. The penalty is death. Mehojevich is a saloon keeper and has good-sized family.

GRAIN AND LIVE STOCK.

EAST BUFFALO—Cattle: Choice export cattle, $5 35@6 15; shipping steers, $4 70@5 40; butcher cattle, $4 40@5 25; heifers, $3 10@4 75, cows, $2 50@4 10; bulls, $2 50@4 50; milkers and springers, $30 00@60 00. Sheep and Lambs—Yearlings, $6 25@6 75; wethers, $5 75@5 85; mixed, $5 25@5 60; ewes, $5 00@5 50; spring lambs, $8 00@8 00. Calves—Best, $8 50@9 50. Hogs—Yorkers and mediums, $6 35; pigs, $5 45@6 50; stags, $4 50@5 00; roughs, $5 65@5 85.

CHICAGO—Cattle: Common to prime steers, $4 00@7 40; cows, $2 65@4 75; heifers, $2 60@5 00, bulls, $2 40@4 50; stockers and feeders, $2 40@4 50. Sheep and Lambs—Sheep, $3 60@6 25; lambs, $5 75@7 75; yearlings, $4 60@6 25. Calves—$2 75@8 00. Hogs—Choice heavy, $6 25@7 25; light butchers, $6 15@6 25; choice light, $6 10@6 15; light mixed, $6 10@6 15, packing, $5 90@6 15, pigs, $6 00@6 50. Wheat—No. 2 red, 75½@76c.

PITTSBURG—Cattle: Choice, $5 85@6 25; prime, $5 50@5 75; tidy butchers', $4 60@5 10, heifers, $2 50@4 40; cows, bulls and stags, $2 00@4 00; fresh cows, $25 00@50 00. Sheep and Lambs—Prime wethers, $5 60@5 75; good mixed, $5 00@5 50; lambs, $5 00@7 75. Calves—Veal, $6 00@8 25. Hogs—Heavy hogs, $6 35; mediums, Yorkers and pigs, $6 25.

CLEVELAND—Cattle: Prime dry-fed, $5 50@5 75; fat steers, $4 25@5 25; heifers, $2 50@4 50; fat cows, $2 50@3 25, bulls, $3 25@3 75; milkers and springers, $15 00@50 00. Sheep and Lambs—Choice lambs, $7 65; wethers, $5 00@5 50; mixed, $5 25; ewes, $5 00. Calves—$7 50@8 00. Hogs — Yorkers, mediums and heavies, $6 30, pigs, $6 25@6 30; roughs, $5 65@5 75, stags, $4 50@4 75.

CINCINNATI—Wheat: No. 2 red, 76½@77c. Corn—No. 2 mixed, 43½@44c. Oats—No. 2 mixed, 37@37½c. Rye—No. 2, 72½@73c. Lard—$8 55. Bulk meats—$8 75. Bacon—$10 00. Hogs—$5 40@6 27½. Cattle — $2 00@5 50 Sheep — $2 00@4 65. Lambs—$4 25@7 70.

TOLEDO — Wheat, 77c; corn, 42½c; oats, 30½c; rye, 61½c; clover seed, $8 40.

SUBMITTED TO MOODY

Will Be Question Brought Up at Chicago In Oil Case.

STATUS OF THE ELKINS ACT

Controversy as to the Time the Law Went Into Effect—Culpability of Company Hinges on This Point. District Attorney and Special Counsel Leave For Washington.

Chicago, Dec. 15. — United States District Attorney Sims and Special Counsel J. H. Wilkerson will join Attorney General Moody in Washington for a conference on the Standard Oil cases. Their journey is the result of an order received here, and they will leave for the capital today.

Attorney General Moody's order for a conference is believed to be the outgrowth of a message which was sent to him several days ago by Mr. Sims. When the first hearing of the cases was had a dispute arose as to the time the Elkins law went into effect. Attorney John S. Miller for the Standard contended that this measure became effective as soon as it was signed by the president. Mr. Sims holds that it was a law only when it was filed in the office of the secretary of state.

The culpability of the oil company is said to hinge to a considerable degree upon this technical point, and Judge Landis suggested that the data concerning the measure be secured from Washington and that it be furnished to the court and to both sides of the controversy.

When Mr. Sims wired his chief for this proof, to be placed in the hands of the court, the reply was in the form of an order to appear in Washington. It is not believed that the two attorneys will return to the city until late next week.

FIVE YEARS

Mrs. Birdsong Denied New Trial and Sentenced.

Hazelhurst, Miss., Dec. 15. — Mrs. Angie Birdsong was denied a new trial by Judge Miller. She was sentenced to five years to the penitentiary, and notice of appeal was given to the Mississippi supreme court. When notice of appeal was made Mrs. Birdsong was granted bail in the sum of $10,000, which was furnished. Mrs. Birdsong shot and killed Dr. Thomas Butler at Monticello, Miss., Nov. 25, 1905, and at the trial, concluded several days ago, was convicted of manslaughter. Since that time she has been seriously ill. Because of her young child and her illness Mrs. Birdsong was never sent to jail.

Review of Trade.

New York, Dec. 15.—R. G. Dun & Company's weekly review of trade says: Holiday trade monopolizes attention, although there is a steady gain in distribution of winter goods as the temperature becomes more seasonable. Some irregularity is still noted in collections, attributed to high money rates or failure to market the crops. This would make the one adverse feature of the commercial situation, indirectly due to the three most striking evidences of national prosperity—scarcity of men, money, and railway facilities. There is little idle machinery at leading manufacturing plants, the urgency for quick delivery being most noticeable at steel and cotton mills, and all are well engaged. Purchasers of pig iron for delivery during the last half of 1907 were reluctant to contract at present price. Inability of cotton goods manufacturers to make deliveries is the controlling factor in the primary markets at the present time.

Six Special Messages.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Six special messages are to be sent to congress next week by President Roosevelt. They include one on the naval personnel bill, which contemplates the more rapid retirement and promotion of the officers of the navy; a message transmitting Secretary Metcalf's report on the alleged discrimination against the Japanese in San Francisco; another on Panama; one on the public land question; transmitting Secretary Taft's report on Cuba, and a reply to the senate resolution calling for information regarding the discharge without honor of the soldiers of the Twenty-fifth regiment of colored infantry.

Magoon's Decree.

Havana, Dec. 15.—Governor Magoon has issued a decree directing all rural guardsmen to be especially vigilant in arresting all persons bearing arms without license. Another gubernatorial decree provides for the expenditure of $326,000 for sanitation in various towns. This step is taken in accordance with recommendations made by the board of sanitation. The money was appropriated last July but never expended.

Steamer Sinks In River.

Mobile, Ala., Dec. 15.—The steamer Hardicash, plying on the Alabama river, brought news of the sinking of the steamer New Haven in that stream at Monica island, 40 miles south of Montgomery. The New Haven was towing barges and rafts when she encountered an obstruction which tore a hole in her hull. She sank after being run into shallow water. The crew escaped.

BUCKEYE BRIEFS.

Giving Synopsis of Ohio Happenings. Kenton to Entertain Grange.

Kenton, O., Dec. 15.—The executive board of the Hardin county grange held a meeting here in conjunction with the Commercial club and decided to entertain the annual convention of the Ohio State grange here in December next year. At the state convention in Canton this week the association had voted to hold the next convention in this city, providing Kenton was willing.

Thompson to Fill Vacancy.

Columbus, O., Dec. 15.—Colonel Carmi A. Thompson, secretary of state-elect, is in Columbus to confer with Secretary of State L. C. Laylin. It has been decided that Mr. Thompson will be appointed by the governor to fill the interim between Laylin's resignation, on Dec. 31, and the expiration of his term, Jan. 14, and the beginning of the new secretary's tenure of office.

Shot by Robber.

Jackson, O., Dec. 15.—Herbert Evans, residing about three miles north of Jackson, was met on the road just after dark by a man and at the point of a gun relieved of watch, money and other valuables, and then shot through the arm, inflicting a severe though not dangerous wound. The highwayman was unknown to Evans and no arrests have been made.

Cow Gave the Alarm.

Marion, O., Dec. 15.—Stricken with paralysis while milking, Mrs. Jeremiah Jones, residing near Larue, O., crawled from the pasture to the barn lot. Here a second stroke rendered her unconscious. The cow followed the woman and stood vigil over her form, mooing plaintively until a farmer was drawn to the spot. Mrs. Jones can not recover.

Curtis Case.

Dayton, O., Dec. 15.—The preliminary examination of the members of the Gilman family was postponed until 2 o'clock Monday afternoon. Arguments were presented in the David Curtis case today. In the minds of an overwhelming majority "Baby Dave" Curtis had no connection with the murder of Dona Gilman.

Lover a Suicide.

Alliance, O., Dec. 15.—After a quarrel with his sweetheart Frank Clayton, 23, a baker and football player, whose home was in Salem, committed suicide in a resort by swallowing enough carbolic acid to kill a half-dozen men. Clayton had been drinking heavily for several days.

Saved Tramp; Lost Life.

Zanesville, O., Dec. 15.—Robert Stannus, 15, was killed while trying to save a one-legged tramp from death. Young Stannus jerked the tramp from in front of a train, but was unable to escape himself and was instantly killed.

Battle With Thieves.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 15.—In a battle with two strangers, who were getting away with a team of horses and a wagon loaded with farm produce, Marshal P. J. Cooney of Euclid village was shot in the lip.

TEN MANGLED.

Powder Explosion Rocks a Village. Ignited by Spark.

Bluefield, W. Va., Dec. 15.—The explosion of 10,000 pounds of powder on three mine cars at Eckman caused the death of one person and the injury of nine others, two of them probably fatally. Joe Steele was killed. Alex Finney and Mrs. George Johnson were probably fatally injured. The men were on the powder cars and the woman was in a house near by. The powder was in tins and was moved from a freight car to the magazine, when sparks from the motor wheels set it off. The houses near by were torn into splinters, and the detonation rocked the entire village. In a few moments hundreds had congregated to fight the fire which broke out. Some of the wounded were horribly burned. Several of them lost their eyes, and the flesh hung in tatters from their bodies.

Ambassador to Washington.

City of Mexico, Dec. 15. — It has been officially announced by the Mexican government that Enrique C. Creel, governor of the state of Chihuahua, has been appointed Mexican ambassador to the United States. Senor Creel is of American descent and is one of the wealthiest and most progressive men of the republic.

Extortion Charges.

San Francisco, Dec. 15.—The grand jury again began probing into charges of extortion from the French restaurants. Camile Mailhebau said that he and two other restaurant keepers paid $200 a year.

Prince's Discovery.

Rome Dec. 15. — Prince Borghese has discovered in the cellar of his palace certain marble fragments which, put together, proved to be an ancient Roman sarcophagus, bearing figures representing one of the early myths of Rome, the marriage of Enens to Lavinia, daughter of Latinus, king of the Latini.

THE TELEGRAPH.

Opposition and Rebuffs With Which Morse Had to Contend.

The Morse telegraph invention lingered for years in the hands of its starving inventor because capitalists were indifferent or incapable of appreciating its merits.

It was several years before congress voted an appropriation to allow its inventor to make a practical test of it, and burlesque bills were offered to provide means for communicating with the man in the moon.

"He's a very good, but shiftless painter, if he would only stick to his job," some one said of Morse. "The idea of telling by a little streak of lightning what a body is saying at the other end of a wire!"

His instrument, it was said, was all very well as a mantel ornament or for a mistress to call her maid, but the wires couldn't cross rivers, oceans and deserts.

Even after the line was up between Washington and Baltimore and Silas Wright sent a dispatch to the Democratic convention at Baltimore declining its nomination of him to the vice presidency, it was not accepted as true until a committee went to Washington and returned with the confirmation of the report.

There was similar though less objection offered to the overland telegraph. Senator Benton declared that it would be impossible to operate it, because the Digger Indians would cut the wires to make hooks for digging up the roots and beetles on which they lived.—Sunday Magazine.

A Timely Shake.

Some years ago the Duke of Connaught visited Japan and was taken by Sir Edwin Arnold round the bazars of Tokyo, where he bought many curious toys and specimens of Japanese art. In the evening he remarked to Sir Edwin that he had seen most of the sights, but had not experienced any of the earthquakes which are so common in Japan.

"I suppose you cannot show me one?" said the duke jestingly.

Immediately the house shook, the chandelier swayed backward and forward, the china and glass on the table rattled, and the door burst open.

"Why, Sir Edwin, you are a magician!" remarked the duke as the shock, which had happened at so curious a moment, subsided.

A Remarkable Epitaph.

A remarkable epitaph is on a tombstone in Brighton churchyard in England. It reads: "In memory of Phoebe Hessel, who was born at Stepney in the year 1713. She served for many years as a private soldier in the Fifth regiment of foot in different parts of Europe, and in the year 1745 fought under the command of the Duke of Cumberland at the battle of Fontenoy, where she received a bayonet wound in her arm. Her long life, which commenced in the time of Queen Anne, extended to the reign of George IV., by whose munificence she received comfort and support in her latter years. She died at Brighton, where she had long resided, Dec. 12, 1821, aged 108 years."

When a Man Lies.

"If you want to tell whether or not the man you are talking to is telling the truth, don't look him in the eyes," said a Denver bank teller to some friends last night. "I thought it was just the other way," said one of those present. "I've always understood that it made it harder for the liar if you looked squarely in his eyes." "That's a wrong impression," continued the bank teller. "The man who knows how to lie knows how to look you in the eyes when he's doing it. And the man who isn't a regular liar, but who has made up his mind to lie to you, decides first that he must look you straight in the eyes. It is the voice, when you don't look at the eyes, that tells you whether the other fellow is lying. We use the system frequently in the bank. A man will come in to tell us some business tale. We look at his feet or his hands or his knees, but never in his eyes. If he's telling the truth his voice will be firm and straightforward, and the absence of your gaze in his eyes will not affect it, but if he's lying he'll be confused by your action, and his voice will tremble. He'll hem and haw and clear his throat. You may rest assured then that he's stringing you."—Denver Post.

Indian Coal Lands.

Washington, Dec. 15. — Secretary Hitchcock added his views to those which have been gathered in Indian Territory by the special senate committee authorized to investigate the property rights and citizenship situation of the five civilized tribes. An endeavor was made to arrive at the value of the coal lands of these tribes, it having been variously estimated at from $15,000,000 to between $4,000,000,000 and $5,000,000,000. It was stated that application for the purchase of these lands was expected from the new state of Oklahoma. The secretary was unable to place a value on the lands. The secretary expressed himself against any present sale of the lands, saying he believed it would be impossible to get anything like a fair price for them.

Tommy Corcoran Sold.

New York, Dec. 15.—Tommy Corcoran, for several years shortstop on the Cincinnati National league team, was bought by Manager McGraw of the New York Nationals. The consideration was not made public.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Discovered this Week by Independent Investigators.

Roscoe Keller returned on Friday from a week's visit with his mother in Pittsburg.

William Schrock and daughter, Miss Lucile Schrock, were visitors in Cleveland Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, of 249 North street, returned on Friday from Huntington, Ind., where they were called on account of the death of Mr. Smith's mother.

Alliance has seen three suicides within four days. The third occurred at noon Friday, when John Miller, a veteran soldier, shot himself thru the brain at his boarding house.

The Rev. and Mrs. James Jones returned Saturday from New Philadelphia, where they attended a birthday celebration of their son, Charles Jones, at his home Friday evening. Fifty guests were present at the aniversary supper.

Mrs. Christ. Pitz and two children left Saturday morning for Dalton, to be gone a week or more, while her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Carter, make a trip to Pittsburg to spend a week with Mrs. Carter's brother at that place. Mr. and Mrs. Carter buried their youngest son, Henry, in Dalton, about two weeks ago.

Fremont was given a shaking Friday night by the explosion of a Standard Oil tank car filled with crude petroleum in the Lake Shore yards. William Batig, who was pumping oil from the tank, was hurled about two hundred feet, his clothing burned from his body, and he is seriously injured. Many windows were broken and other damage done.

The body of John Carson passed thru Massillon Sunday en route to Dillonvale, for interment in the Dillonvale cemetery. The deceased was well known among the railroad men of this city, having lived here at one time while employed as a conductor on the Wheeling & Lake Erie. He was killed in a railroad accident in Arizona last week.

Marion colored people are protetsing against permitting Senator Benjamin Tillman to lecture there next Friday, and have requested Mayor Louis Scherff to intervene. They fear that there may be violence. Tillman is scheduled to appear there in the Y. M. C. A. lecture course, and the trustees of the association decided to ask him to take the race question as his subject.

The Rev. W. H. Singley, a minister of the North Ohio synod of the Lutheran church, was adjudged insane Thursday in the probate court of Ashland county. It has been noticed for some time that Mr. Singley was not himself. His hallucination was that he was promoting the Wooster & Mansfield electric line and was also writing a play. Dr. Singley was formerly pastor of the Lutheran church at Loudonville. Judge S. G. McAdoo adjudged him insane and ordered him taken to the hospital at Massillon.—Wooster Republican.

At a meeting of Hart post No. 134, G. A. R., Friday night, the following officers were elected for the next year: E. P. Edgar, post commander; Adam Volkmor, senior vice; C. E. Jarvis, junior vice; J. G. Hissong, quartermaster; Benton Smith, surgeon; Daniel Dulabahn, officer of the guard; O. Martin, officer of the day; J. C. Haring, delegate to the state encampment; O. Martin, alternate. The officers will be installed at the first meeting in January and at that time the appointive offices will be filled.

OBITUARY.

MRS. ROSA HERTLE.

Mrs. Rosa Hertle, aged 34 years, died at her home, 212 Richville avenue, at 6:30 o'clock Friday evening. The deceased had been ill for more than a year. She is survived by her husband, George Hertle, and one sister, Miss Louisa Namat. The funeral will be held from the residence at 9:30 o'clock Monday morning and at 10 o'clock from St. Timothy's church, the Rev. E. J. Craft officiating. Interment will be made in the Massillon cemetery.

A SENSATIONAL STORY.

No Troops Have Been Ordered to the Hawaiian Islands.

Honolulu, Dec. 15.—(By Associated Press.)—Officers of the transport Thomas have announced that two regiments of troops will be rusht immediately to the islands, in anticipation of trouble with the Japanese. They refuse to give out details bearing on the call for troops or the reasons why. The government feels that soldiers are needed on the islands, which at this time are overrun by the little brown men.

Washington, Dec. 15.—(By Associated Press.)—It is stated at the war department that no orders have been issued for the dispatch of additional troops to the Hawaiian islands, nor is any such order contemplated.

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FRIENDSHIP OF TWO TOWNS

Massillon Aided Canton at a Critical Period.

AN EXCHANGE OF GREETINGS.

The Councils of the Two Towns Exchanged Communications Filled With Expressions of Kindly Feeling and Good Will.

The codification of the ordinances which has necessitated the examination of all old city records has brought to light interesting circumstances connected with the city. While examining the minute book of the council from 1853 to 1865, copies of exchanges of greetings between Canton and Massillon were found, showing that a very friendly feeling existed between the cities at that time and that aid given by Massillon was thankfully received. In the report of the council's meeting on the evening of Tuesday, December 8, 1859, is found the following:

"The mayor laid before the council the following communication from the council of Canton. At a meeting of the city council of Canton, held in the council chamber on Monday, November 28, 1859, among other things was the following, to-wit:

"Whereas, The members of the fire department and citizens of Massillon, on learning of the calamity which had befallen our city on Saturday morning, hastened by the first train with their fire engine and equipment to our depot and generously put themselves in readiness to furnish any assistance in their power to arrest the progress of the flames; therefore be it

"Resolved, By the city council of the city of Canton, that we recognize with unfeigned gratitude this act of noble generosity on the part of our neighbors, thus proving themselves friends indeed; and be it

"Resolved, That the thanks of this city be sent to them by the president of this council and that he be instructed to assure them that it is our desire that sentiments of fraternal friendship and regard may ever characterize the citizens of both towns, and that all parties may cherish a disposition to rejoice in the prosperity of each other."

This communication was signed by Thomas Goodman, president of the Canton council, and by E. M. Grimes, clerk of the council.

The minutes of the Massillon council's meeting continue as follows:

"Whereupon Mr Harsh submitted the following preamble and resolutions, which were, on motion, unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, On the occasion of the late fire in the city of Canton, the mayor and a portion of the town council of the town of Massillon, immediately on ascertaining the extent of the same, went to their assistance with the fire engine and the company of the town; and

"Whereas, Said city council of Canton has acknowledged its appreciation of this act of duty on our part, therefore be it

"Resolved, That the honorable mayor of the town of Massillon is hereby authorized and requested to appropriately respond to the communication received by said mayor from the city of Canton, assuring the Canton citizens that we do and shall desire to cultivate kindly feelings and such friendly relations as will be calculated to promote good neighborhood between the sister municipalities and citizens of the same, and that we assure them of our sympathies in their recent calamity and hope their city may never again be subjected to a similar catastrophe; and be it

"Resolved, That the communication of the city of Canton and the response of the honorable mayor of the town of Massillon be placed on the records of the town of Massillon."

Isaac H. Brown was mayor of Massillon at the time and Joseph K. Merwin was recorder of the council. Mayor Brown framed up a response, full of kindly feeling, and sent it to the Canton council. His response was as follows:

"Your communication of the 29th ult., transmitting a copy of the proceedings of the council of your city relative to the late movements of the fire company of this town on a certain particular date, was laid before the council of this town at its last meeting, being the first after its receipt, and herewith you will receive a copy of the action taken thereon.

"No duty which has devolved upon me could have been more agreeable than that which I am now about to discharge. I have great pleasure, Mr. President, in being able to assure you that the authorities and people of this town fully reciprocate every sentiment of kindness expresst in those papers, whether contained in the proceedings of our city council or in the very friendly letter by yourself and they will at all times as sincerely regret as the people or council of your goodly city can, an occurrence or the use of any language which shall tend in the least degree to disturb that harmony which should always exist between neighbors. You well remark that 'the interests of the two communities are in the main identical.' How can it be otherwise, living as we do under the same system of general laws, electing together the same general officers and appealing to the same courts for the administration of justice.

"That a generous spirit of rivalry in pursuit of noble purposes and legitimate objects should exist between two neighboring towns is not singular, and it may contribute in no small degree to the prosperity of each. Great care should be taken, however, by both parties never to allow the temporary or permanent success of either to induce an expresion of illiberal or unkind sentiment on the part of one or the other. I have no hesitation in saying that our authorities and people cheerfully accord with you, when you say that remarks of the above character are 'unworthy and unprofitable,' particularly when they savor in any degree of petty jealousy.

"In attempting to make itself useful to you on a recent occasion, our fire company claims no other merit than that which prompts a discharge of duty, as was practicable, regretting that from a cause beyond its control it was wholly out of its power to reach you earlier, rejoicing, however, to find that the skill and energy of your own force had proved quite sufficient to stay the ravages of the destroying element.

"Trusting that no other than kind and friendly feeling shall exist between the two towns and no other than liberal and generous sentiment shall be entertained or expreat by the citizens of either toward the other and that sustained by the energy and enterprize of your citizens the prosperity of Canton may continue up to the wishes of its people, I am, with much respect,

"Your obedient servant,
"ISAAC H. BROWN,
"Mayor of Massillon.
"JOSEPH K. MERWIN, Recorder."

IS THIS SO?

Massillon People Can Decide.

You would not accept the word of an utter stranger as readily as that of a person whom you know. The following statement is made by a citizen, perhaps a neighbor. Read it.

Mrs. Joseph Ohlman, of 395 North Mill street, Massillon, says: "My husband has never had a touch of backache or passed a sleepless night from pains across the loins since the summer of 1900 when I procured Doan's Kidney Pills at Baltzly's drug store and he used them. It is now considerably over four years since I gave my first testimonial, and I am only too glad to re-endorse the claims made for a preparation which I know has proved of such great benefit to others in and around Massillon."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cts. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

THIEVING AT WOOSTER.

Well Known Young Men are Under Arrest.

Wooster, Dec. 15.—The Pennsylvania lines during the last few months have suffered much loss by the theft of brass and zinc. Acting on information furnisht by a woman who had a quarrel with her lover, officers Friday arrested Louis Mann, John Miller, Arthur Stough and Harry Woolman, all of whom confest when arrested and were jailed in default of bail. Abraham Lacofsky, a dealer who purchased the plunder, was arrested and released on bail.

The developments show that the quartet were members of an organized gang. The four young men all come of good families and have never been suspected of crookedness.

BELIEVE WAR IMMINENT.

European Governments are Carefully Watching Japan.

Berlin, Dec. 15.—(By Associated Press.)—The relations between the United States and Japan excite extraordinary interest both in government and diplomatic circles here. Emperor William has discust the question with several persons recently and is thoroly informed regarding President Roosevelt's personal views on the subject. It was known here in June that the British admiralty considered it a theoretical possibility that war between Japan and the United States was likely to occur within a few years. In any case, it is certain that several European foreign offices are at present making inquiries regarding the temper of the Japanese people and the government of Japan.

What Adam ate, not what he drank, Was he from Eden's garden driven. O! what a difference there would be, If he had taken Rocky Mountain Tea.
The Baltzly Company.

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NEARBY TOWNS.

NAVARRE.

Navarre, Dec. 15.—A novel entertainment was given in the school hall Friday evening by the Ashburn brothers, who are students at Mt. Union college. The program consisted of two part sketches, songs, recitations, etc., in the native dialect of Georgia. The young gentlemen did very creditably, and deserve praise for their efforts in working their way thru school.

Mrs. J. M. Corl is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Oscar Van Dorsen, at Canton.

A teachers' institute was held today at Shepler's school house, east of town. Prof. H. Janson, of the Navarre schools, delivered an educational address in the evening.

Mrs. Corl, sr., who has been ill for some time, is now convalescent.

A farmers' institute will be held at the school hall on January 4. An excellent program will be rendered and all up-to-date farmers in the vicinity are interested in it. All who can conveniently do so are requested to attend and thus encourage the worthy tillers of the soil in their efforts to develop the occupation upon which all others have their base. Visitors should be prepared to interchange some new ideas on the proper cultivation of the soil and other things pertaining to the occupation of the farmer.

Miss Lola Warwick is visiting friends in Cleveland. She will spend some time in Lorain and Akron before returning home.

PROPOSED NEW STAMPS.

Would Bear Name of City in Which Postoffice is Located.

A bill pending in congress proposes that postage stamps issued for the coming year bear on the face the name of the city and state in which the office is situated. It is the belief of the department that this would do away with future postoffice robberies. Should the bill be enacted into a law serial numbers would be used and fourth class offices would be supplied with stamps from principal offices. This would obviate much unnecessary bookkeeping and postmasters at fourth class offices could order their supplied as required from the depository in their territory.

Postmaster Koons favors the plan and said Saturday that the great postoffice robbery was an example of the manner in which postage stamps at present can be disposed of as up to date none of the perpetrators have been apprehended. Another reason for the change is that the department would be enabled to determine the amount of business done by the different offices. The plan of engraving the name of the city of issue on postage stamps is not entirely new, as it has been followed in Mexico for years. In Liberia the names of the five principal towns are engraved on the stamps.

ALL TEACHERS AT INSTITUTE

Interesting Discussions at the Vinedale School.

THE AFTERNOON AND EVENING.

Several Musical Numbers Were Given by the Pupils in the Evening — Another Institute Will be Held in the Near Future.

The Perry township teachers' institute held at the Vinedale school Friday afternoon and evening was a decided success in spite of the inclement weather. Every teacher teaching in the township was present and took active part in the work.

The subject of arithmetic as presented by J. E. McFarren was well handled, bringing forth considerable discussion, not even among teachers alone, but householders participating as well. Upon taking up the discussion of pedagogical problems, conducted by Superintendent G. H. Walter, interest was not less intense than formerly, and it was found to be time to go to supper before more than half the work prepared had been taken up. Most of the entertainment was kept for the evening, and consisted largely of declamations and singing by the pupils of the school. Miss Grace L. Putman read an instructive and well prepared paper upon "Our Aim in Education," which showed that after all the chief end of education is character and not a conglomeration of ideas. Cullen W. Meyer presented "The Parents' Attitude Toward the School." He began his remarks in rather a humorous way, but soon got down to business and showed that he was fully master of the situation. Further discussion followed, seeming to bring forth the idea that while the teacher and parent were working for the same end, many of the little mishaps occurring are caused largely by a misunderstanding between parent and teacher and that a closer co-operation should be maintained. Ira L. Smith presented the subject of "Wasting Time in Teaching," which proved to be both interesting and instructive. Much discussion followed. Prof. E. A. Stewart, of the Canton schools, who was to give instruction in school discipline, was not present, that subject being omitted.

The regular work of the evening was interspersed with several quartets and sextets, ending with a profundo basso, bringing down the house. An encore was called for and given. It was followed by the solo and chorus, "I Am King O'er Land and Sea."

The management desires to thank the patrons of the district for the entertainment furnisht to the teachers' for the work done, and to all others who helpt to make the meeting the success it was. The place and time for holding the next meeting will be decided later.

CURTIS ACQUITTED.

No Proof That He Murdered Dona Gilman.

Dayton, Dec. 15.—(By Associated Press.)—David Curtis, the half-witted fellow who was tried for the murder of Dona Gilman today, was released on the ground that the prosecution failed to show that he was connected with the crime.

NEW CRUISER LAUNCHED.

Newport News, Dec 15.—(By Associated Press.)—The United States armored cruiser Montana was successfully launched at the Newport News shipyard today in the presence of a large number of people. The vessel was christened by Miss Minnie Conrad, of Montana. The vessel is about fifty-eight per cent completed.

APPEALS THE CASE.

Pittsburg, Dec. 15.—(By Associated Press.)—Augustus Hartje, libellant in the recent divorce case against his wife, which was decided adversely to him, took an appeal to the supreme court today.

MASSILLON MARKET

(This report is corrected daily.

The following is the paying price in Massillon, Saturday, December 15, '06.

Country butter, per lb	24-26
Eggs, per dozen	28
Old Chickens, dressed per lb	10
Spring Chickens, dressed per lb	12
Spring Chickens, live, per lb	10
Duck, dressed, per lb	14
Turkeys dressed	16
Turkeys live	12½
Geese dressed	14
Geese live	11
Potatoes, per bushel	40
Apples per bu	50
Sausage, per lb	13
Ribs and Bone Meat	10
Pork, live	6½c lb
Pork, dressed	8c lb

GRAIN MARKETS.

Following are the paying prices:

Wheat	72
Hay, loose, per ton	$9 to $10
Hay, baled, per ton	$11
New Oats	35
New Corn per bushel	40

Doan's Regulets cure constipation without griping, nausea, nor any weakening effect Ask your druggist for them. 25 cents per box.

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Never Suspect It.

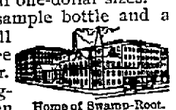
How To Find Out.

Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

What To Do.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, fulfills every wish in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes.

You may have a sample bottle and a book that tells all about it, both sent free by mail. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention this paper and don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y.



Home of Swamp-Root.

HIGHER WAGES.

Lowell, Mass., Dec. 15.—(By Associated Press.)—Notices are posted at all the cotton mills here of a five per cent increase in wages. About seventeen thousand operatives are affected.

Headache

Can be cured only by a remedy that will remove the cause.

The oftener you stop it with headache powders or pills the quicker will it return.

Generally, headache comes from a disturbed stomach or irregular bowels, and almost invariably

Lane's Family Medicine

(a tonic laxative) will cure headache in short order by regulating the bowels and reinvigorating the stomach.

It is a great blood medicine and the favorite laxative of old and young.

At druggists', 25c. and 50c.

Holiday Specials:

French Enameled Brooches 50c each.
Veil Pins 20c each.
Austrian Plates 25c and 50c.
Framed Colored Heads and Gibson Pictures only 50c each.
Holland and Chinese Children and the Sunbonnet Girls in passepartout frames at 20c each.

BAHNEY'S,

20 East Main Street, Massillon, Ohio.

We take this way of calling your attention, and extending a hearty welcome for you to call and see our large and varied stock of

Suitable Christmas Presents

of which the following only serves to give you an idea. Our Second Floor display, especially, is worth coming many miles to see.

Our Bargain Counter

Is full of real bargains in Children's Books, Card and Board Games, Building Blocks, Water Color Paints, Pipe Racks, Ash Trays, Leather & Metal Frames, Decorated Cups and Saucers, and a large assortment of Imported Chinaware at just one-half price

Imported Goods. As has been our custom, we make a special effort in this line and will say that we have not dropped below the perfection mark this year This line includes original oil and water color paintings, and a great array of Odd and Special Designed Pieces of Wares from the famous Art Centers of Europe.

Christmas Accessories.

Christmas Cards and Tags, 10c per dozen.
Gold and Colored Cord for Xmas Packages.
Red Christmas Bells at 10c to 35c.
Artificial Snow, 5c and 10c packs.
Holly Tally Cards and Dinner Cards.
Holly Napkins and Doilies.
Christmas Post Cards in Leather, Tinseled and Comic kinds, at 1c to 5c each.

Stationery

For everybody put up in suitable decorated Xmas Boxes at 25c to $10.00 per box.

Picture Frames

In metal and wood, just the size for Photos, at 25c to $8.00 each.

Suggestions:

Fountain Pens, 10c to $10 00.
Inkstands. 10c to $7.50.
Music Rolls 25c to $2 50
Pocket Books, 5c to $5 00.
Hand Bags, 50c to $10 00.
Cigar Cases, 25c to $10.00.
Family Bibles, $1.75 to $8.00.
Teachers' Bibles, $1.00 to $11.00.
Scrap Books, 10c to $1.75.
Post Card Albums, 10c to $1.25.
Stereoscopes at 40c to 75c.
Stereopticon Views, 5c and 10c each.
Waste Paper Baskets, 20c to $2 50.

Books

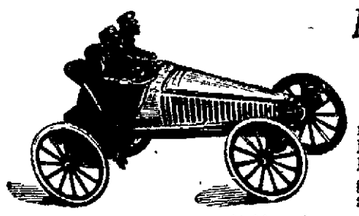
Always make an acceptable Xmas gift for young and old, and we have a most beautiful line this year, consisting of Good Standard Works Books for the young at prices ranging from 5c up, and all the newest and most popular copyrights, many of these being nicely illustrated by such well known artists as Harrison Fisher, Howard Chandler Christy, Clarence F. Underwood, and others.

Toilet Sets

Of French Stagg, Silver, Ebony, and Celluloid, at 50c to $12.00 per set.

Photo Albums

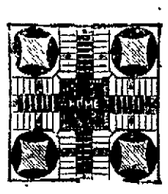
In very pretty decorated Celluloid and Plush at 50c to $5 00.



Mechanical Toys

In a very large assortment of Autos, Engines, Locomotives, Clowns, Policemen, Happy Hooligan, The Climbing Miller and a great display of others at prices from 5c to $2.50 each.

Stationary Engines 40c to $6.00.
Steam and winding locomotives with track 50c to $3 50.
Humpty Dumpty Circus 50c to $2.00 per set.
Magic Lanterns 25c to $4.50.
Tool Chests 25c to $2 00
Turkish Tubephones 25c to $1 00.
Printing Presses 75c to $4.00 Printing Outfits 10c to $1 00.
Blackboards 10c to $7.00. Combination boards $3.00 to $4.50
Crokinole Boards $1 25 and $1 50.



Games, etc.

This line includes the ever popular and many new games, such as the Russia-Japanese War, The Gypsy Fortune Telling, Tumbelin, Base Ball, Ten Pins, Table Croquet, Checkers, Dominoes, Chess, Flinch, and so many more we haven't the space to mention at prices from 5c to $1.25 each.

For the very young we have the A. B. C., Building and Nests of Blocks, Spelling Boards, Buster Brown Stamps, Drawing Cards and Slates, Pretty Village, Doll Outfits, and the Linen A. B. C. Picture Books at 3c to 25c each.

Sporting Goods.

We aim to carry everything in this line for outdoor sports and for use in the Gymnasium in the different grades and prices.

NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE®
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DECREASE IN NUMBER OF CASES

Insanity Can be Cured by Modern Treatment.

BETTER METHODS FOLLOWED.

Drugs Have Been Practically Discarded in the General Treatment — Superintendent H. C. Eyman Gives Interesting Information.

The question of whether insanity is on the increase in Ohio and the methods used in treating cases have formed the chief topic of discussion in the annual reports made to Governor Harris by the superintendents of the state hospitals of Ohio. The reports of each hospital will be studied by all interested in this work. Superintendent Eyman, of the Massillon state hospital believes there has been a perceptible falling off of the number of cases of insanity in Ohio during the past two years. He also expresses the belief that a marked step forward has been taken in the method of treating and curing such diseases. The methods lately employed in the Massillon state hospital have increased the number of cures and have diminisht the death rate.

This change has been brought about not so much by the use of medicines as by the application of hydrotheray and electrotherapy. In fact hydrotherapeutics and electrotherapeutics have practically superseded drugs in the treatment of all cases of insanity. Regret is exprest by Dr. Eyman that psychotherapy has not met with more general encouragement in the state institutions of Ohio and he has this to say upon the subject: "While it is true that many charlatans and unprincipled persons have used psychotherapy for personal and pecuniary gain, there is some virtue in its claims for recognition, and we should hasten to yoke it to the car of the son of Apollo, drag it from its eccentric orbit and force it to tread with measured step the paths of legitimate medicine."

The past year and the previous year have shown a marked decrease in the number of insane persons admitted to the hospitals of the state. Giving the patient something to do which requires him to assume a small responsibility is one of the agencies for effecting cures which Dr. Eyman thinks cannot be excelled.

Dr. A. F. Shepherd, superintendent of the Dayton state hospital, in his annual report to Governor Harris, speaks of the cure of insanity in a very encouraging manner. He says that a large per cent of the cases of mental disorder can be cured if proper treatment is promptly and judiciously applied. He makes a plea that all persons suffering from mental trouble be given immediate attention in some place especially equipt for such treatment, and discourages the idea that persons so afflicted are best cared for at home. In his report he speaks in this manner:

"The feeling so commonly entertained in the community that a disgrace attaches to those who have been in a hospital of this character should not exist. Insanity is a bodily disorder, which should be viewed in the same light, and is amenable to remedial treatment, and no greater disgrace should attach to one than to the other."

Reports from other superintendents will be received by Superintendent Eyman in a short time. A diligent study is being made to ascertain approximately the decrease in the cases of insanity and just what per cent of an increase is shown by the latest methods of treatment.

The meeting of the hospital trustees, which will be held some day next week, will be an occasion to bring up comparisons between the various state hospitals, especially with reference to the per capita cost of maintenance and the general running expenses outside of the cost of food. These are interesting points to all state officials and from tables compiled is information gained about the management of the benevolent institutions. Governor Harris intends to visit the Massillon hospital some time this winter.

Christmas preparations are being made at the hospital, and the event will be celebrated with a dinner and in other ways that will mark it as a happy occasion.

You need a tonic that will put the sap of life into your system and fortify you from all diseases. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea is recognized as the greatest strengthener known. Tea or Tablets, 35 cnts. The Baltxly Company.

Itching bleeding, protruding or blind piles yield to Doan's Ointment. Chronic cases soon relieved, finally cured. Druggists all sell it.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION.

Governor General of Moscow Slightly Wounded.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 15.—(By Associated Press.)—Another attempt on the life of Admiral Dubasoff, governor general of Moscow, was made here this afternoon. He was driving when two men hurled a bomb at his carriage. It exploded, but only slightly wounded the admiral. The would-be assassins were arrested.

HARRY WECKMAN IS BOUND OVER.

Charged With Breaking Mail Boxes in Canton.

TAKEN TO THE CLEVELAND JAIL.

Schindler and Lindeman, Who are Charged With Robbing a Grocery Store, Placed Under Bond of $2,000 Each—Massillon Firemen Inspect Gamewell Display.

Canton, Dec. 15.—Harry Weckman was bound over to the United States court by United States Commissioner Julius Whiting Saturday morning at the conclusion of a hearing on the charge of breaking the locks of letter boxes in the northeastern part of the city about two weeks ago. While Weckman was given a hearing before the commissioner on the charge of breaking the lock of a single mail box, he is accused of having been implicated in injuring six boxes in that way. Homer Baughman, Postamster Clark, Assistant Postmaster Cool, Chief of Police Smith, Detective Ryan and Patrolman Riffle testified for the prosecution, which was conducted by Assistant United States District Attorney Orth, of Cleveland. Weckman was held under $1,000 bond. In default he was committed to jail in Cleveland and was taken there Saturday forenoon.

William M. Schindler, arrested Friday evening by Detective Ryan, admitted this morning that he was one of the men who broke into J. M. Roose's grocery, carried away the cash register and robbed the money drawer. Both he and Lloyd Lindeman, the other man in the case, have been bound over to the grand jury on charges of burglary, their bonds being fixt at $2,000 each. The other suspects were released.

Fire Chief Burkle and Captain Baatz, of the Massillon fire department, were in the city Friday afternoon, looking at the Gamewell display in the local police station.

Miss Genevieve Swaller, of Navarre, and Robert H. Teal, of Alliance, were united in marriage at noon Saturday by the Rev. F. C. Nau, at the parsonage of the First Reformed church. They were attended by Miss Lucile Hodnot, of this city, and A. L. Litsinger, of Navarre. Mr. and Mrs. Teal will reside in Alliance.

KILLED BY OFFICER.

Fatal Result of Gun Fight in Mansfield.

Mansfield, O., Dec. 15.—(By Associated Press.)—After holding up four men, Bert Hollingsworth, aged 25, encountered Police Captain Harks, and in the battle which followed Hollingsworth was shot and killed.

SHOT BY BURGLAR.

Alleged Car Robber is Under Arrest.

Columbus, Dec. 15.—(By Associated Press.)—In a desperate fight with an alleged car burglar at the Big Four freight house today, Railroad Officer Edward Dorgan was shot in the throat and seriously wounded. The shooting was done by Isaac Buckingham, a Baltimore & Ohio brakeman, who was captured.

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SOME PROVERBS.

Back Action Observations as a Cure For the Blues.

Fine feathers ne'er can make fine birds, 'tis true; but what would become of the peacock if he was dressed like a frog?

A stitch in time to save nine is a patch just the same.

Money saved is money made, but you always have to make it first.

Talk may be cheap, but the telephone companies have got mighty rich handling it.

The early bird may catch the worm, but it's not exactly a square deal for the worm.

All things come to him who waits, but it takes a lot of hustling to find the right place to wait.

If it is true that riches have wings it's hardly right to howl because rich people are high fliers.

If you could convince people that the good die young nine-tenths of the human race would be imitating the devil in an hour.

A soft answer may turn away wrath sometimes, but generally it is poor protection to your face if the other fellow is a good hitter.—A. E. Neal in Judge.

An Understudy.

"Have you got a job, Sam?"

"Yes, sah."

"What are you doing?"

"I'm an understudy, sah."

"An understudy, Sam?"

"Yes, sah. My wife does washin', and I'm her understudy."

"But have you ever been called upon to take her place?"

"No, sah. I hain't got dat far yit, sah."—Yonkers Statesman.

Tests of Strength.

"That butter is all right," said a boarding house keeper. "It is firkin butter and tastes of the wood a little. That's all."

"If that is the case," replied a boarder who is a contractor, "I should like to get some of that wood to make railroad bridges out of." — London Globe.

Slightly Tangled.

The Cow Moose (petulantly)—Why were you so long coming, dear? Didn't you hear my call?

The Bull Moose—My darling, I'd know your sweet voice among a thousand, but—er—you know those pesky hunters put up some mighty close imitations nowadays.—Puck.

Acquired Talent.

"Ma," said the small son of a pugilist, "pa isn't a natural born fighter, is he?"

"Of course he is," replied the mother. "Why do you think he isn't?"

"Oh," replied the young hopeful, "I heard Mr. Neighbors say he acquired the knack since he married you!"—Boston Transcript.

Sorrow of It.

Miggles—I see by the papers that your new book has made you famous.

Scribbles—Yes, but it's a questionable brand of fame, after all.

Miggles—How's that?

Scribbles—My creditors are constantly soliciting my autograph on a check.—Detroit Tribune.

He Must Have Told Her.

"No," said Miss Goodley, "I've never been introduced to Mr. D'Auber. I've been told, though, that he is an exceedingly clever artist."

"My, I'm shocked!" exclaimed Knox. "If you were never introduced, why did you let him speak to you?"—Philadelphia Press.

A Point In His Favor.

"Nuritch is the most stupid ignoramus I ever met."

"Think so?"

"Of course. Why, what he doesn't know would fill any number of books."

"Well, it seems to have filled one bankbook."—Houston Post.

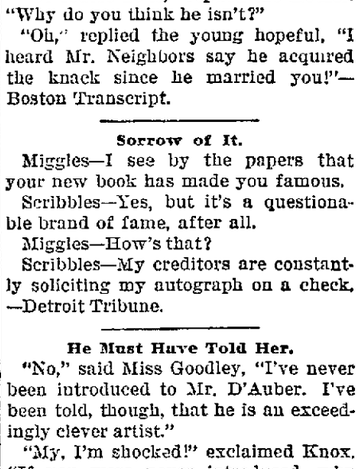
Flattering.

"How much postage will this require?" asked the young author. "It is one of my manuscripts."

"Two cents an ounce," answered the postoffice clerk. "That's first class matter."

"Oh, thank you!"—Judge.

Right She Was.



"They tell me your husband draws a salary for sleepin'."

"Sure, that's right, Mrs. Clancy. He's a night watchman."—New York World.

Solicitude.

"Do you think the country is safe?"

"Certainly," answered Mr. Dustin Stax. "We big investors are drawing dividends that make it incumbent on us to insure the country as thoroughly as possible."—Washington Star.

NEW SHORT STORIES

Kept Uncle Joe Busy.

"Edgar county certainly gave Speaker Cannon a warm time," said L. White Busby, secretary to the Danville statesman, in describing Uncle Joe's swing around his own district during the recent campaign. "At Paris the Republicans gave Mr. Cannon a dinner in the leading hotel, and when the spread was at its height fire broke out in the kitchen and compelled the company to beat a hasty retreat. The speaker made his escape, holding a napkin in one hand and a wedge of pumpkin pie in the other.

"After the evening meeting we went to bed at the same tavern. I was tired,

"I RUSHED INTO HIS CHAMBER."

and it seemed as though my head had hardly touched the pillow when the fire bell rang and somebody pounded on my door and shouted that the building was afire. I hustled out, threw on some clothes and rushed down the hall to the speaker's room. I rushed into his chamber and was astonished to find him calmly brushing his teeth. Then he put on his coat and sat down in a chair and began to read the paper of the day before. Meantime the firemen were at work on that part of the hotel, but Mr. Cannon lay down on the bed and left me to watch. We got out of town without being scorched, but I haven't discovered yet why the speaker should select a time of fire to use his toothbrush."—Chicago Evening Post.

Forgot His Incog.

Chancellor James R. Day of Syracuse university was discussing at a dinner his recent edict against theater going and the use of tobacco by students holding scholarships.

"Scholarships," said Chancellor Day, "are for poor students, and he who smokes and visits the theaters may be poor, but he is not living up to the part. It is not wise to travel incognito. To do so," he continued, "is often associated with something disgraceful. Witness the story of the tramp who at a magistrate's early morning hearing did not answer to his name, sitting absently in his seat as the name was shouted four or five times. When matters finally righted themselves, the magistrate said angrily:

"'Why didn't you answer to your name?'

"'Beg pardon, yer honor, but I forgot wot name I guv last night,' replied the tramp.

"'What?' thundered the magistrate. 'Didn't you give your right name?'

"'No, yer honor,' said the tramp. 'I'm a-travelin' incog.'"

The Height of Conceit.

After Governor Stokes of New Jersey had signed the "barber act," a bill that is calculated to prevent the future watering of stock, a Trenton statesman said to him:

"So-and-so, the millionaire, was sure you wouldn't sign this act. He is a conceited chap. He believes that his way of thinking is always the right way."

"He is conceited, truly," said the governor, smiling. "He reminds me of another conceited man I used to know.

"Two mutual friends sat near this man at lunch one day.

"'What makes him look so glum this morning?' said the first.

"'Why,' said the other, 'he visited an Egyptian palmist last night, and the fellow told him his wife would marry twice and the second husband would be a remarkably fine chap.'

"'Aha! He thinks that's rather a reflection on himself, eh?'

"'Not at all. He thinks his wife was married before and never told him.'"

Variable Indian Voter.

"No party can safely count on the vote of the Indian. The smallest thing can change his view," said John N. Florer of Bartlesville, I. T., one of the oldest Indian traders in the territory.

"Some years ago the Osage Indians were called into council. The Democrats prepared a feast for them. They barbecued beef and fed the Indians well. And the Indians were 'for' the Democrats. Then the Republicans invited them to a barbecue, and they were 'for' the Republicans. After it was all over the Indians met. One of them addressed the meeting.

"'Democrat good; feed Indian,' he said. 'Republica: good; feed Indian full.'

"Then he concluded, 'Both good; Indian go home.'

"And they went. They don't care for any political party."—Kansas City Star.

FACTS IN FEW LINES

For speaking French to him a landlord of a Dusseldorf hotel recently charged a guest extra in his bill.

Owing to the success of South African ostrich farms the ostrich feather trade in the Sudan seems doomed.

Tigers appear to be on the increase in Burma, owing to the restrictions on the possession and carrying of arms.

English capitalists are going to work the ancient gold mines in the Alps to which the Romans used to condemn early Christians.

Probably the oldest of the many old clocks in Maine is one owned by Dr. Coutourier of Westbrook. It was made in London in 1565 and has been in the doctor's family for several generations.

Britain's new record breaking battleship, the Dreadnought, is the ninth vessel of that name belonging to the British navy. The first was launched about 1572 and was in use as late as 1630.

Denatured alcohol is used in a hat factory at Manchester, England. The manufacturers use the spirit, recover it and redistill the product in their own factory and use it over again until it is used up.

For a small silver cup of the commonwealth period, weighing three ounces, $150 an ounce was paid in London recently, while a Charles II. tumbler, with the York hallmark of 1682, brought $100 an ounce.

Very numerous are the patents that have been issued to women on novelties in furniture. One piece, which appears to be a school desk, also contains an organ. With simple manipulation an innocent looking sofa is converted into a bathtub.

After the Torrey-Alexander mission closed in Philadelphia a number of Christian men and women banded themselves together to hold seven services a week. They go about in a gospel wagon, never take up a collection, sing the Torrey-Alexander hymns and are all personal workers.

Children in Italy are not allowed to rub their eyes. When an infant bursts into tears no effort is made to repress the emotion, but the youngster is allowed to have its cry out. It is asserted that this beautifies the eyes and makes them clear, while rubbing the eyes injures them in many ways.

A Paris jeweler has bought a large number of stones which have been found in mines on the czar's private property. Every year stones from these mines are offered for sale by tender, in the same way as the forest lands and mines belonging to the czar are occasionally sold by the imperial cabinet.

The fact that the Ohio building at the Jamestown exposition will be a reproduction of Adena, the home of Thomas Worthington, governor of Ohio from 1814 to 1818, lends new interest to a fine old house. When it was built it was the most stately and luxurious mansion in a wide region northwest of Ohio.

Women have patented cigarette machines, but it would seem that the feminine fancy went too far when it undertook to evolve an "improvement" in cigars by soaking them in an extract of pine needles "in order to take away that nasty taste." Yet such an "improvement," so called, may be found in the patent office.

The Canadian commercial agent in Mexico reports that, although modern dairying has not reached any high degree of development in that country, there is an ever increasing number of dairies being established, and as the demand for creamery butter and cheese increases old methods are being superseded in favor of modern machinery.

Conway, England, is sorely troubled over the fact that the gravestone in the churchyard which is associated with Wordsworth's poem, "We Are Seven," has been seriously damaged by the enthusiastic tripper. One bit after another has been chipped off, and if the destruction is allowed to continue nothing of the stone will be left.

The cure of Austruwell, a small place near Antwerp, in turning out a lumber room came upon a large canvas about five feet by four feet. Having passed a sponge over the picture, the cure, struck by its beauty, transferred it to his sitting room, where it was soon declared by experts to be a genuine work by Rubens. The subject is the "Assumption of the Virgin."

The late Lord Graulley married the daughter of an island fisherman. His widow, a beautiful, but totally illiterate woman, although she had become by her marriage an English peeress of the realm, survived her husband for nearly twenty years without ever leaving the island of Capri, retaining her peasant dress and habits and living happily and contented among her kinsfolk.

The Japanese house of representatives consists of 300 members elected by ballot, each member receiving a salary. Its house of peers consists of members of the royal family, princes and marquises, counts, viscounts and barons, elected as representatives of the several orders, and persons elected for seven years by and from the fifteen highest taxpayers in each city and prefecture.

President Fallieres of the French republic has broken with tradition, dismissed the famous chef of the presidential mansion and employs instead a woman cook, or "cordon bleu," as the French say. The title of "cordon bleu" for a woman cook dates back to Louis XV. and Mme. du Barry. The latter championed the cause of her sex, but the king said that only a man could cook. After he had eaten a delicious dinner cooked by a woman he was converted and had the cook called before him. He then placed around her neck the blue ribbon of the order of the St. Esprit, known as the "cordon bleu."

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A WONDERFUL ANIMAL.

Ability, Resources and Drawbacks of the Arkansas Razorback.

A man who had watched the affair and claimed to know about hogs, razorbacks in particular, gave the following dissertation: "Arkansas has a greater variety of hogs and less pork and lard than any state in the Union. An average hog in Arkansas weighs about fourteen pounds when dressed with its head on and about six pounds and a half with its head off. It can outrun a greyhound, jump a rail fence, climb like a parrot and live on grass, roots and rabbit tracks. It hasn't much tail or bristle, but plenty of gall. It will lick a wolf or a bear in a fair fight. It is so called razorback because it is shaped like a sunfish. In hunting razorbacks they are always shot at sideways, for there is not a ghost of a show to hit them otherwise any more than to shoot at a split shingle. It can drink milk out of a quart jar on account of its long, thin head. This type of razorback is known as the stone hog because its head is so heavy and its nose so long that it balances up behind. The owner of this type of hogs usually ties a stone to its tail to keep it from overbalancing and breaking its neck while running. If the stone is too heavy it will pull the skin over its eyes, and it will go blind."—Mineral Wells Index.

Iron In the System.

It is often said that there is iron enough in the system of an ordinary man to make a plowshare The statement is exceedingly wide of the truth The amount of iron contained in the animal tissues of a man weighing 150 pounds is about 100 grains, or a quarter of an ounce. Yet so important is even this small amount to the system that a difference of a few grains more or less may produce serious constitutional disturbance.

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PROF. ORTON RESIGNS.

Columbus, Dec. 15.—(By Associated Press).—Professor Edward Orton tendered his resignation as state geologist to Governor Harris today. It was accepted and John M. Bownecker, professor of geology in the Ohio State university, was appointed.

Notice.

Sealed bids will be received at the Stark county infirmary until 12 o'clock noon December 20, 1906, for the furnishing of groceries, coal and drest beef for one year from January 1, 1907, to December 31, 1907. Proposals for the above bill of goods can be received by calling on superintendent at the infirmary. All bids must be address to the clerk of the board of directors, Charles E. Jarvis, Box 480, Canton, O.

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